

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:179
ANSWERED ON:02.03.2006
TOURISM PROMOTION PROJECTS
Kurup Adv. Suresh

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that tourism promotion projects do not materialize on time due to delay in clearance from other Ministries/ Departments;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has any fast track mechanism for resolving the issues of tourism which are connected with other Ministries/Departments;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a), (b) ,(c)&(d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 179 ANSWERED ON 02.03.2006 REGARDING TOURISM PROMOTION PROJECTS.

(a), (b), (c), & (d): The implementation of tourism projects is primarily the responsibility of the State Govts. and UTs concerned. There is a monitoring mechanism in the Department of Tourism for speedy implementation of the projects sanctioned in favour of States/UTs.

A Group of Ministers comprising of Cabinet Ministers of Ministries of Human Resource Development, Railways, Urban Development, Overseas Indian Affairs, Commerce & Industry, Water Resources, Tourism & Culture and Ministers of state of Ministry of Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation and Civil Aviation examine and make recommendations for generating consensus and coordination on issues relating to Tourism Industry and Trade. In addition, the Committee of Secretaries headed by Cabinet Secretary and the Secretaries of Ministries concerned meet and sort out all inter-ministerial issues relating to tourism.